



**MINUTES**  
**OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**April 6, 2010**

**MEMBERS, OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL**  
Mr. Reg Dexter, District V, Council Chairman  
Mr. Joel Thrift, District IV, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Wayne McCall, District II, Chairman Pro Tem  
Mr. Paul Corbeil, District I  
Mr. Mario Suarez, District III

Oconee County Council met on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 8:00 AM in Council Chambers, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC with all Council Members, Interim Administrator Gene Klugh and Clerk to Council, Elizabeth G. Hulse present.

**Press:**

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting, date, time, place of meeting and agenda were posted on the bulletin board at the County Administrative Offices, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC, and the County Council website [[www.oconeese.com/council](http://www.oconeese.com/council)]. In addition it was made available to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Member of the press present: Carlos Galarza – Daily Journal

**Call to Order:**

Mr. Dexter called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**Meeting Announcement:**

Mr. Dexter announced an amendment to the posted agenda for Saturday, April 10, 2010. He noted that the meeting will recess at 9:00 a.m. and will reconvene at 3:00 p.m. in order to have an Executive Session to discuss the Administrator Candidates interviewed between April 6-9, 2010.

**Executive Session:**

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. McCall, approved 5 – 0, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of conducting a face to face interview with Mr. Mark Watson regarding the open Administrator position.

Council entered Executive Session at 8:02 a.m.

Council returned from Executive Session on a motion by Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Thrift and approved unanimously at 10:27 a.m. Mr. Dexter noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

**Meeting Recess:**

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Thrift, approved 5 – 0 to recess the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

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**Meeting Reconvene:**

Mr. Dexter reconvened the meeting at 2:30 p.m. noting that Mr. Thrift and Mr. McCall were not in attendance for this portion of the meeting.

Mr. Dexter thanked the group of citizens present [listing below] for their participation at this meeting and for providing Council feedback after the meeting regarding their impressions of the candidate.

**Citizen Group Present:** Mr. John Powell, Mr. Jim Gadd, Mr. Jerry Edwards,  
Mr. Mendel Stone, Mr. Gary Owens, Ms. Rosemary Bailes, Mr. Warren Harris &  
Mr. Greg Dietterick

**Executive Session:**

Mr. Corbeil made a motion, seconded by Mr. Suarez, approved 3 – 0, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter noting that Council and a select group of citizens will continue the face to face interview with Mr. Mark Watson regarding the open Administrator position.

Council entered Executive Session at 2:33 p.m.

Council returned from Executive Session on a motion by Mr. Suarez, seconded by Mr. Corbeil and approved unanimously at 4:44 p.m. Mr. Dexter noted that no action was taken in Executive Session.

**Adjourn:**

Mr. Suarez made a motion approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Elizabeth G. Hulse  
Clerk to Council